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In re Application of:

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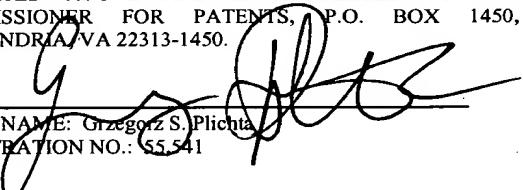
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In response to the Official Action dated **June 5, 2006**, reconsideration is respectfully requested in view of the amendments and/or remarks as indicated below:

- Amendments to the Specification** begin on page \_\_\_\_\_ of this paper.
- Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of the claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.
- Amendments to the Drawings** begin on page \_\_\_\_\_ of this paper and include an attached replacement sheet.
- Remarks** begin on page 7 of this paper.